Personal

My dear Fontaine:

Yesterday I received your letter of
the 2nd inst. and immediately wrote to Bishop Simmons
recommending you for the Rectorship of
Trinity Church, Pleasantville, but I have
received no reply. I am very sorry
that you have been disappointed in
this matter, and will do all I can to
secure the position for you. This seems to me the first
application — made merely

that the school house should
be united, but that when
~~school~~ they should be
united in sentiment with
the county [illegible] efforts,
through ~~[illegible]~~ and
with [illegible]
ditions, [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

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Given the means of reaching their consciences and I can ask millions of white men on the same level of justice as the ~~Less than half~~ quarter million of members of the National Citizens Rights Association, which have come to me as by a flood of miracle.

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But this cannot be done, and would be useless if it could be done, unless the colored people can be made to feel that they have a friend, here, who will stand by them, and who will not be afraid to speak out, when they are imposed upon. I believe that the best way to do this is to encourage them to form themselves into societies, for their mutual protection, and advancement in the arts of civilized life. Let them meet together, for the purpose of improving their minds, by reading, and by the discussion of questions, calculated to benefit them, as a class of citizens. Let them, also, have their public meetings, for the purpose of adopting such measures, as may be deemed necessary, to protect their rights, and to secure their interests, as a class of citizens. Let them, also, have their public meetings, for the purpose of adopting such measures, as may be deemed necessary, to protect their rights, and to secure their interests, as a class of citizens. Let them meet together, for the purpose of improving their minds, by reading, and by the discussion of questions, calculated to benefit them

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the sentiment and power
by which latter conditions,
any result. The object
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alone, it is the
can citizenship. American
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ization.

equal proportions of each element. —

[illegible] I have tried many times, but I could never get the right proportions. I have tried many times, but I could never get the right proportions. I have tried many times, but I could never get the right proportions.

recognized leadership
particular field
It should represent a just
and united cultural
effort of both races
representation of
Dr. Du Bois
I have sent out some things
and many others
but the response
has been very poor
I am writing to the
Y.M.C.A. in Detroit
to make the request
of the secretary there
to send me
the names of
Negro men
in other
cities
who
are
interested
in
this
work

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this would be a good location
for the Chautauqua Assembly
to put $10,000 of its $15,000
Capital stock. I think
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for them. The shares are just $50.
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the idea fairly
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I never knew any relations
to the present any regard
all the time always to call.
Please and to thank them kindly
and then kindly many thanks that
I have no doubt
by any means
in this manner
every dollars
that will be distributed of an

less than 90 days. If this cannot be heartily
and fully & sincerely taken back, I
of by calmer men, I
will not attempt anything
that time. I enclose the letter and ask
you please to return it to me. I would make two
copies of your statement, for
if you think it worth while, I
will get both of them
signed by Mr. Hall & Mr. Clark & send them
to you. I
thoughtful

I think we are all aware
how much we realize
how much certain distant
friends think of us
for the kind remembrance
of you, but very
few the first Christmas
Eve that we have
been separated
from each other
for many years
Merry Christmas
to you